DIDN'T SEE SENATORS BEFORE MAKING APPOINTMENT.

So Finance Committee Holds Up the Non mations of J. F. Curtis to Be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and Cabell Internal Revenue Commissioner

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.-There is trouble ahead for the administration of Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh. A bit of it cropped out to-day in the Senate Com-mittee on Finance, of which Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island is chairman, when the nominations of James Freeman Secretary of the Treasury and Royal E. sternal Revenue came up for conderation. As a result of discussion in he committee room action on the nomnations was postponed. Afterward the i-official explanation was offered that committee wanted more information ut the qualifications of Mr. Curtis and

nator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massa-Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massa-husetts is a member of the Finance Comee. No man not on the committee a closer to its leaders than Senator W. Murray Crane, Mr. Lodge's colleague. Both Mr. Lodge and Mr. Crane have said hat they have no objection to Mr. Curtis. that as it may, the fact remains that t was not until the very day that the dection of Mr. Curtis was announced the Treasury Department that Mr dge was notified of the selection. If dr. Crane was ever informed that far in dvance there is no evidence of it.

One unwritten law affecting Presidenappointments is that the Senators of he flate in which a prospective appointee stration before his nomination is sent given to him. Under the rule Senators Lodge and Crane would be justified in bjecting to the nomination of Mr. Curtis. ourse of the Administration in Mr. Curtis's case was regarded as unusual and caused much comment among Senators. It was said, however, that Mr. Lodge had written to Secretary MacVeagh saying that he had no objection to Mr.

That is the political aspect of the mat er. But there is a practical aspect which erned the Finance Committee more than any consideration of politics. For everal years the Finance Committee has been insisting that a man nominated for the office of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury must be possessed of superior qualifications, and in consequence the ttee always scrutinized very careully the characteristics of everybody inated for that important position.

Matters came to a head in Preside evelt's administration, when Leslie Shaw was Secretary of the Treasury Mr. Shaw's private secretary was nomi-nated for appointment as Assistant Secretary. The Committee on Finance be-lieved that he was too young to have had the experience to perform the duties of the onice properly, but after considerable delay the nomination was confirmed with a cort of admonitory "don't do it again unless you see the Finance Committee first."

At the beginning of President Taft's administration an understanding was resched between the President and leading Republican members of the Finance Committee that no appointments to important places under the Treasury Department would be made until Senator aldrich and his committee lieutenants had been consulted and had agreed that the candidates in each case were acceptable from the viewpoint of business ability. It is contended that the nomination of Mr. Curtis was a virtual violation of this understanding, as the committee was not asked

recess appointment, Mr. Curtis has irrect charge of the administration of the under the same as the sa This is regarded as work of the highest importance, requiring a or character of business ability and general good sense.

Outside of the considerations that the

fassachusetts Senators were not con-ulted about Mr. Curtis and that the Finance Committeemen were ignored also, the Finance Committee holds that its duty compels it to obtain more information as to what Mr. Curtis has done to qualify him for an office requiring ability of the foremost order.

A few months ago one of the Assistant Secretaries of the Treasury made a will

Secretaries of the Treasury made a rul-ing under the new tariff law in regard to the duties on watches which brought protests from Senator Lodge and watch manufacturers in Massachusetts. It was Massachusetts. It was under this ruling the contended that under this ruling the purpose of the Finance Committee and the Senate to provide competition for American made watches against the cheapest grade of European watches had been defeated. As a result of a rehearing the ruling was reversed.

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This case was pointed to to-day as an instance of the errors in the administration of the new tariff law which were likely instance of the errors in the administration of the new tariff law which were likely to be made by an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury who was not qualified in every way for the duties of the office.

Mr. Curtis is 33 years old. When he came here this month to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury he had just resigned the office of assistant to the State's District Attorney at Boston. His selection is attributed to Charles Dyer Horten, the sealor Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. According to Massachusetts people Mr. Curtis was a Democrat once.

Mr. Cabell, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, is about the age of Mr. Curtis was a Democrat once.

Mr. Cabell, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, is about the age of Mr. Curtis. He was postmaster at Rickmond, Va., before he came to Washington under the Taft Administration. He was one of Postmaster-General Hitchcock's political lieutenants in the South, and his appointment to his present office is attributed to Mr. Hitchcock. The Finance Committee will inquire into his resultifications. Ullinois Congressivant have is attributed to Mr. Hitchcock. The Finance Committee will inquire into his qualifications. Illinois Congressmen have been saying unkind things about Mr. Cabell. They have many dealings with him, mainly on account of the great liquor manufacturing interests in their state, and there are hundreds of Federal appointments in Illinois within Mr. Cabell's gift. Senator Cullom of Illinois is a member of the committee which held up Mr. Cabell's nomination to-day. To what extent, if at all, feeling in the Senate and the House against Secretary MacVeagh plays a part in the attitude of the Finance Committee toward Treasury Department nominations has not by Department nominations has not opeared. Mr. MacVeagh, who lives a Chicago, is a Democrat who fought ryanism, but his friendliness toward Republican party has not served to the Illinois Republicans recover from redissatisfaction over his appointment the Cabinet. Besides that many Reto the Cabinet. Besides that many Re-publican members of Congress with high fariff proclivities are kicking over the speech Mr. MacVeagh delivered in Boston this week. In that speech he said that the enactment of the Payne tariff law was only the beginning of thorough tariff revision. The standpatters did not like

President Goes to New Haven Tuesday. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Senators Branree and Bulkeley of Connecticut saw nt Taft to-day and succeeded in ng him to say that he would be pressetting him to say that he would be present at a banquet of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday night. The President is going to New Haven via the York to attend a meeting of the Yale Corporation anyhow, and will stay of the dinner. Gov. Weeks will be present also. Both the President and loverner, it was said, will make ad-

et, and are saying so.

"CONSTRUCTIVE POLICIES."

Measures to Regulate the Universe. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10. - Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada let loose in the Senate to-day a volley of measures designed to reorganize things mundane. Questioned concerning the measures, the Senator said that the bills, resolutions, tc., embodied certain "constructive poli cies" he has urged upon Congress from time to time. These relate to inland waterways, the organization of a conservation commission, the creation of a bureau of art and public buildings with an advisory council composed of men eminent in the arts, a bill for the national incorporation of railroads and navigalines engaged in interstate and for eign commerce and a bill for the construction, at a cost not exceeding \$1,000,000 each, of thirty auxiliary ships for the navy, to be manned by the naval reserve and leased in time of peace for use in opening up new routes of commerce, a foreign commerce commission, consis ing of the Secretary of the Navy, the

Postmaster-General and the Secretary

of Commerce and Labor, to construct

these ships and make recommendation

"The hill relating to inland waterways said Mr. Newlands, "provides for the ap-pointment of a commission by the Presipointment of a commission by the President, to be composed of the chief of engineers of the army, the chiefs of the forestry, reclamation and other services of the Government related to water and engineers and constructors of eminence, to form plans for the development of our navigable waterways from the source of streams to their mouths in such a way as to secure their full development for every use including navigation, water power and the reclamation of arid and swamp lands, and to bring about the coordination of the scientific services of the Government that relate in any way to water, the cooperation between the to water, the cooperation between the nation and States, each within their con-stitutional jurisdiction, and the effective and economical devetailing of projects, whether national, State or private enterprise, into a comprehensive whole. It provides for continuous work and action and ample funds of \$50,000,000 annually be obtained from current revenues, d when insufficient from bond issues. "This bill at the last Congress was, with

"This bill at the last Congress was, with certain amendatory suggestions, reported favorably by Mr. Taft, then Secretary of War, and by a sub-committee of the Senate Commerce Committee.

"The national incorporation act for railwads and navigation lines provides against overcapitalization through control by the Interstate Commerce Commission, limitation of dividends, a uniform system of taxation as national mission, limitation of dividends, a uniform system of taxation as national instrurgentalities by the States, a board of conclination for labor disputes, an insurance and pension fund for disability by accident or age, for the maintenance of the jurisdiction of State courts, except as to questions of national jurisdiction, and for the acquisition and merger of State incorporated railroads forming parts of intenstate trunk lines."

MONEY FOR CUSTOMS COURT. Attorney-General Wickersham Asks for 887.450 to Maintain It for Six Months.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- Attorney-Genral Wickersham-forwarded a communication to Congress to-day asking for funds with which to galvanize into life on January 1, 1910, the Customs Court of Appeals created by the Aldrich-Payne tariff act. Soon after the law was passed opponents of the Customs Court declared that that tribunal would never be commissioned, as they expressed a purpose to fight any move that might be made to make appropriations for the salary of the judges and other expenses that would be required for the court. The indications are that Congress will make appropriations for the court and soon thereafter the President will name the

thereafter the President will name the judges.

In his communication to Congress the Attorney-General says that it will cost about \$87.450 to he intain the court in the first of the court of salaries to a chief justice and five associate justices at \$10,000 each a year, a marshal at \$3,500 a year, a clerk at \$2,000 except at \$2,000 five. stenographers at \$2,400 each, a steno-graphic reporter at \$2,500, a messenger at \$900, and for employment of bailiffs and \$900, and for employment of ballifs and other contingent expenses \$20,000.

For assistance required in the Department of Justice in connection with Customs Court business the Attorney-General asks for authority to employ an assistant Attorney-General at \$10,000 a year, one deputy assistant Attorney-General at \$7,500 and \$7,500 for the employment of additional clerks.

BOY KILLS SWEETHEART. Pursued by Police He Kills Himself -Mind Deranged by Love Affair.

WASHINGTON, Pa. Dec. 10 -- Enraged at seeing his schoolgirl sweetheart, Laura Braden, 16 years old, in company with another youth, Walter Seybold, 18 years old also a high school student, shot and killed her shortly after noon to-day and later, when surrounded by officers, committed suicide, shooting himself through

The girl was the daughter of Attorney

A. Braden. Seybold's father is George
sybold, for years a leading resident of W. A. Braden. Seybold, for years a leading resident of Washington.

The tragedy occurred while the pupils of the high school were on their way home for lunch. Miss Braden was walking with Paul Hallam, a boy about her own age, when Seybold came up behind her and began firing.

Seybold's mind had been affected by the unhappy circumstances of his love for Miss Braden and last night he threatened to kill his mother with a hatchet.

Because the President's Secretary Told Him to "Come Around Next Week."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- Senator La follette, leader of Senate radicals who prefer to be called "progressives," ggrieved because Wendell W. Mischler ssistant secretary to the President assistant secretary to the President, told him, when he applied at the White House yesterday to see the President, to "come around next week."

"When the President gets ready to see me he can send for me," retorted Mr. La Follette, in his best Chautauqua vein.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- These army orders First Lieut. Edward L. Cox, Eleventh Cavairy, detailed to Fort Slocum for general recruiting is detailed to Fort Slocum for general recruiting service.

Second Lieut. William W. Boddle, Second Infantry, to Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., for treatment.

Capt. Joseph S. Herron, Second Cavalry, from Military Academy to Philippine Islands.

Capt. F. K. Ferguson, Coast Artillery, will report to Major-Gen. Thomas H. Barry for duty on his staff.

First Lieut. Thomas P. Bernard. Seventh Cavalry, to recruiting service at Fort Sicoum, relieving First Lieut. Daniel H. Glenty, Seventh Cavalry. Corps. resignation accepted to take effect Feb.

These navy orders were issued: Commodore J. S. K. Reeves, from member coard of inspection and Survey, Washingto, C., to home. ficer.

Lieut. W. Ancrum, from the Flusser to Norfolk and as assistant to engineer officer.

Ensign W. C. Nixon, from command of the yard as assistant to engineer officer.
Ensign W. C. Nixon, from command of the
Tingev to the Plusser.
Medical Director A. F. Price, from member
of the naval examining and naval medical
ramining boards, Washington, D. C., to home.
Passed Assistant Surgeon J. W. Bishop, from
the Hanrock to New York yard.
Passed Assistant Surgeon H. F. Hull, from New
York yard to the Paducah.
Assistant Surgeon H. W. B. Turner, from the
Paducah to Third squadron Pacific feet.

PICTURES, NORTH AND SOUTH

enator Newlands Puts In a Volley of PEARY AND DUGMORE TALK AT THE EXPLORERS CLUB.

> One Shows Photograph of Ice and Es kimos and the Other of Charging Rhines and Lions Eating Their Kill -Cheers for the Arctic Traveller.

The Explorers Club had both extremes of temperature, if there are such things as hot and cold in photography, when its members sat in one of the smaller rooms of the Astor last night and looked at two groups of pictures that ranged all the way from the north pole to the equator. Commander Peary was there with a boxful of Arctic lantern slides, and A. Radelyffe Dugmore, the photographing naturalist,

came with a bundle of tropical ones. As soon as Commander Peary had come back from saying a kindly word to the Rochester alumni he took his place at the dais on one side of the room and for the next half hour he just talked to the explorers as if he were having a conversation with any one of them. And while he talked his pictures were shot on the screen He didn't try to give any connected account of the Peary expedition.

It was just a case of a picture her and there to illustrate the formation of the ice, the character of his Eskimos and dogs and the way he took his observations. He showed them an Eskimo roman with her family jewels, consisting of pearl shirt buttons, feed time for the dogs on the Roosevelt, trouble getting over pressure ridges, nests and eggs of the Arctic birds, and anything that would be of interest to the man who had been up there himself or had travelled in another direction. Now and then he would ask some specialist in a certain line if he wasn't right on some point Only once did he generalize on the polar question, and that was when he said that the result had been obtained not because the personnel of this expedition was better than any other but because it was able "to concentrate the inestimable experience of year after year of work."

Mr. Dugmore's pictures showed another sort of grit. He had rhinos charging him. lions eating their kills, and a lot of hard to snap animals, caugh twith a telephoto lens. With James L. Clark of the American Museum of Natural History he has just returned from British East Africa, where he spent four months shooting, principally with the camera.

The only time during the evening that the only time during the evening that there was a demonstration was when those pictures at the pole were shown. Then the Explorers got up on their chairs and gave him three of the loudest cheers they could produce.

Some of those present were Marshall H. Saville archeologist, who was elected

Some of those present were Marshall H. Saville, archæologist, who was elected vice-president of the club; Henry C. Waish, who was a member of the Miranda expedition and was elected the club's secretary; W. G. Clark, the club's treasurer; Francis D. Millett, the artist; John Adams Church, mining engineer and former professor of mining and metallurgy at Columbia; Frank N. Chapman of the Natural History Museum, Charles H. Townsend, the zoologist; Stansbury Hagar, the ethnologist and lawyer; Prof. Herschel C. Parker of Columbia, Frederick S. Dellenbaugh, artist and author; Frederick I. Monsen, William E. Manning, Belmore Brown, Louis A. Fuertes, Albert Operti, B. T. B. Hyde, Gen. Stillman F. Kneeland, Henry Arctowski, who was with the Belgian expedition; George Borup, Donald McMillan and Capt. Bob Bartlett of the Roosevelt, Commander Peary was reelected president of the Explorers of the Roosevelt, Commander Pe was reelected president of the Exploi Club.

INDORSE ROBERTS. Brooklyn Delegation Sees the Presiden About the Postmaster.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.-There is likely to be a pretty little fight over the Brooklyn postmastership before President Taft lecides just who is to get the job. Several days ago Representative Calder and other Brooklyn members of the House of Representatives decided that they would though he was invited into the confe week to get together upon some one man. Two names were proposed, William J. Maxwell and Edmund Voorhees, it being asserted that George Roberts, the present incumbent, was not out again for the po-

incumbent, was not out again for the position.

To-day a delegation of business men from Brooklyn, headed by J. B. Creighton, came down to the White House to see the President. The delegation brought all sorts of indorsements for Postmaster Roberts. They told the President that while they knew Mr. Roberts was not suitable to some of the politicians they liked him because they got their mail promptly and were otherwise well served. The President, the delegates said, received the indorsements cordially and said that he had not settled the matter.

It was understood that Timothy L. Woodruff will come to Washington in the future to confer on the postmastership

woodrun will come to washington in the future to confer on the postmastership with the Brooklyn delegation and possibly with Senators Root and Depew. This conference was to have been held on Sunday, but it was said to-day that it had been postponed. With indorsements of Roberts in sight, however, a fight may be expected.

EARLY STARTS FOR NEW YORK. The Alleged Leper to Submit to an Examination by Dr. Flexner.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- John R. Early the alleged leper, who has been quaran-tined by the Washington health authorities for about a week and who was confined for nearly a year here one time before, left Washington to-night at 8 o'clock over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Early goes to New York where he will be examined by Dr. Simon Flexner of the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research. When Early was detained here several days ago he sent for Egbert C. Everest, an attorney of New York city. The attorney, after a conference with the health authorities, agreed to advise his client to submit himself to Dr. Flexner for examination. The health officers here agreed to abide by Dr. Flexner's decision. Two experts have already examined Early. One of them has declared he is a leper and the other was equally positive that he is not. If Dr. Flexner gives Early a clean bill of health he will not be molested if he returns here. ies for about a week and who was con-Early occupied a baggage coach on the

regular train. He was accompanied Salvation Army friend. RESTORE MERCHANT MARINE Mr. Sulzer Offers a Bill He Says Will Do It and Not Cost the People a Dollar. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- A bill to restore

the American merchant marine by "a graduated system of discriminating onnage tax in favor of American built ships and against foreign built ships" was introduced in the House to-day by Repreentative Sulzer of New York. "Pass this bill and our dormant ship-

ping industries will revive on the Atlantic

and Pacific coasts, giving employment

and Pacific coasts, giving employment to thousands and thousands of idle men, and in a year or so place the American flag again on the finest merchant fleet on the high seas," said Mr. Sulzer.

"I do not believe it is possible to pass a ship subsidy bill that will do any material permanent good. I also believe at present it is impossible to pass a free ship bill. Hence in my opinion the only bill that can pass and become a law and accomplish the purposes desired is a bill along the lines of the measure I have just introduced. Give us a law like this and the problem of the restoration of the American merchant marine will be solved, and it will not cost the taxpayers a dollar."

J. W. GAINES ON SUGAR TRUST. He Declares That It Should Be Inves-

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.-John Wesley Gaines, former Representative from e, sworn foe of the tobacco trust, sat to-day in his apartments in the Occidental Hotel and discoursed on the sugar trust. According to Mr. Gaines the sugar frauds should be investigated, not by the courts, which he feared might give "an immunity bath like that given the beef trust," but by Congress. which would not give any such cleansing and which would go clear to the bottom of the whole "rotten business."

"I do not believe," said Mr. Gaines as he stroked the hair which is the pride of Tennessee, "that this matter should be settled by the courts. I do not think that the investigation should be confined to the laborers and the sweaters when we know that the men higher up have profited by their actions. The investi-gation should be printed. It would then be franked all over the country and the people would see the awfulness of a mo-nopoly, such a one as the sugar trust is.

nopoly, such a one as the sugar trust is. Congress should expose the real rich criminals, and to confine one of them in the penitentiary would do more to enforce the laws than the conviction of the poor little fellows now on trial in New York.

"Since the House of Representatives has the right to institute bills to levy taxes it should have the right of being the grand jury which is to see what is done with the money that is collected from these taxes. Not only has the nation been robbed by the sugar trust but it has stuck its spigot in the American Treasury. Let the functions of the House be revived. Let this investigation not be left to a little jury, but to Congress. Let the House act as patriotic men should act. Let it cut into the whole thing and expose it.

expose it.

"Whether any one is put in the penitentiary or not, the terrible condition of affairs in the New York Custom House would be exposed and would be shown broadcast to the country."

IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY. Mrs. Taft at Theatre-Atterney-General

Gives a Dinner. Washington, Dec. 10 .- Mrs. Taft and her sister, Mrs. Laughlin of Pittsburg. occupied a box at the Columbia this evening to see "The Climax." They were accompanied by Capt. Archibald W. Butt and Lieut. Palmer, naval aid to the Presi-

The Second Secretary of the British Embassy and Mrs. George Young entertained a small company of guests at dinner this evening for their house guests, England, who arrived in Washington yes-terday.

terday.

Attorney-General Wickersham gave a dinner at his home this evening in honor of Chief Justice Fuller. The other guests included Justices Harlan, White. Day, Holmes and Brewer, Secretary of War Dickinson, Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel and Solicitor-General Bowers.

Mrs. Arthur Lee, daughter of ex-Senator Henry Gassaway Davis, whose health has been delicate for some months, sailed to-day for Europe on advice of her physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roosevelt have sent out invitations for a dance Friday

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roosevelt have sent out invitations for a dance Friday evening. January 14, at Rauscher's, when they will introduce their daughter. Miss Olga Roosevelt, to Washington society. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Choate, Jr., of New York are expected here to-morrow to spend the week end as guests of Mrs. Choate's parents, the Assistant Secretary of War and Mrs. Robert Shaw Oliver. Mrs. Matthew T. Scott, president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, entertained at luncheon at the Arlington this afternoon for the women of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress and the officers of the Federation of Women's Clubs.

CUMMINS A DISSENTER.

Fires a Volley at the Administration and Offers a Drastie Commerce Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.-Senator Cummins of Iowa fired a legislative volley at the Taft Administration to-day. Alat the White House that considered pr posed amendments to the interstate commerce law, Mr. Cummins appeared to-day in the Senate in the rôle of a dissenter from the administration programme.

He put in a resolution that was evidently aimed at the telegraph-telephone merger calling for information from the Attorney-General as to what trusts that have been guilty of violations of the Sherman antitrust law the Administration has not pro ceeded against. In view of the official announcement that the Administration recognized a distinction between violators of the law, drawing the line between violations inimical to the public interest, against which prosecutions were to be instituted, and trusts not inimical to the public. The Cummina resolution sounds a challenge.

A challenge.

Not content with his resolution, the Senator offered a drastic interstate commerce bill. He would confer rate making power on the Interstate Commerce Commerciation restrain the issue of bondpower on the Interstate Commerce Com-mission, restrain the issue of bonds and stocks by common carriers, limit the issue of injunction by the courts and otherwise carry out the most ad-vanced views of the progressive Repub-lican Senators, like LaFollette.

BRACE OF EARTHQUAKES.

Considerable Damage Caused in Guam WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- A severe earth-

quake caused considerable damage on he island of Guam to-day. Despatche received at the Navy Department told of it The women and children's hospital was damaged to the extent of about ,000. There were no casualties.

OTTAWA, Dec. • 10.—People in ever part of the capital were awakened at 1:24 this morning by a slight but very distinct earthquake shock, but no damage was done. The tremor seemed to pass from south to north and west. People generally did not recognize the disturb ce as an earthquake and imagine there had been an explosion near here. Dominion Astronomer Klotz, on examining the seismograph at the Dominion observatory this morning, found a good record of the qukae. The observatory

fficials gave out this announcement: "A local earthquake was recorded at the Dominion observatory at 24 minutes and 10 seconds past 1 this morning. The disturbance lasted five seconds and the amount of motion or oscillation of the earth's particles was three-hundredths of an inch. The direction was more east erly-westerly than northerly-southerly."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.-The collier terling has arrived at Sewall's Point,

the collier Justin and tug Navajo at Mare Island, the torpedo boat Flusser at Annapolis, the collier Marcellus at ewport News, the collier Vestal at Lambert's Point, the gunboat Eagle at Bocas del Toro and the collier Cæsar at Singapore.
The cruisers Tennessee and Washington have sailed from Manila for Woosung.

The cruisers Tennessee and Washington have sailed from Maniia for Woosung, the cruisers California and South Dakots from Manila for Yokohama, the cruisers West Virginia and Pennsylvania and the supply ship Glacter from Manila for Hongkong, the cruisers Masyland and Colorado from Manila for Kobe, the gumboats Yorktown and Albany from Acapulco for Corinto and the torpedo boat smith from Philadelphia for Charleston.

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PRESS CLUB DEDICATES. Bishop Greer, Mayor-Elect Gaynor and Senator Gore Speak.

The New York Press Club dedicated ts new building in Spruce street last night with a supper which was preceded by a series of addresses, or rather personal talks, by Bishop Greer, Mayor-elect Gaynor, Thomas Power O'Connor and Senator Gore of Oklahoma, each being introduced by President Hennessy Gov. Hughes, who had been invited to be present, sent his regrets. He wrote that e should be happy to attend, but that it

was impossible.

Bishop Greer, who was the first speaker, made the principal address. He said that the press and the Church were coworkers for the betterment of mankind in this life. He said in part:

I come because I recognize you, men of the press, as fellow craftsmen: you in your way and I in mine doing what we can to promote the public welfare and the common good. That surely is what the Church should stand for, is what the Church should be to-day; not simply a viaduet to prepare men for dying and for what lies beyond in some other world than this, although from the numerous under-takers signs on the front of our many churches one would naturally conceive that this is the chief office and function of the Church [laughter], and sometime the press, even the secular press, leans a little in that direction.

The chief purpose of the Church to-day is to make better men in this world, to train them, to prepare them for their duties here, personal, domestic, social, civic, political or of whatsoever sort, and that l presume is the high idea! purpose of the press, and therefore I call you fellow craftsnen. The Church should always recognize usly the assistance given to it in its

york by the press.
The church stands for righteousness in the community and seeks to promote it; and the press stands for righteousness in the community and seeks to promote it. In the interest of righteousness it re bukes unrighteousness and exposes wrong, crime and fraud and dishonesty, however strongly entrenched in the high places as well as in the lower places, and yet, beause it does this, the impression is some nodern society is wholly bad and corrupt and given over to the works of the devil.

It is not so, as you and I know. [Applause.]

The great mass of our New York citizenry is true and honest and genuine and

Oh, gentlemen of the press, strike this note sometimes for us here in New York city: Tell the people of New York city, the great masses of them that they are struggling sometimes with a hard fight to do what is right; sound that note. Give New York a good name. (Applause. Give it a bad name and it will live down to it; give it a good name and it will aspire that is what the press is doing. Yes, gen no question about that.

Judge Gaynor made extended reference to his treatment by the press and his treatment of the press in the last cam-paign, and said that he forgave at any rate all who were present, adding that it was barely possible that there were some

absent whom he had no intention of forgiving.

"I have been a Judge for sixteen years," he said, "and I think I have learned how to be just. I am going to say to you now I don't remember having said—I will say, positively, I did not say an unkind word, and I will say further, I do not remember saying an impatient word, to any member of the press during the entire campaign, even when I had, according to some people's views, the most provocation for doing so."

The Judge said that he intended to act as Mayor as he had acted all his public life, first making up his mind, after reflection, as to what was right, then pursuing it. He said that neither one newspaper nor all newspapers would swerve him once his mind was made up as to what was right after reflection. He would read all news and arguments, but no fulminations whose verbiage obscured all argument, the writings of men who had words but nothing to say.

Mr. O'Connor spoke for brevity in the statement of news and in all newspaper writing, brevity and accuracy. He saw this country developing into not only the most important but the most interesting in the world, developing—and he was even glad of that, he said—even a language of its own. He had been obliged to inquire at the theatre the other evening what was meant when in a dialogue of actors one had spoken of suffering from a hangover.

SPERRY GETS HIS CLERK.

The House Votes It on the First Roll Call of the Session

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—A request for clerk for the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic by its chairman, Nehemiah D. Sperry of Connecticut, the oldest man in the House, resulted in the first official roll call in the House for the session. Mr. Sperry, who is extremely deaf and consequently oblivious to the ordinary noises of the chamber, tried to tell the Speaker that last session he had not asked for a clerk and didn't want one, but that the House had insisted on letting him have one. So he thought, as long as he was used to a clerk now, he would like to keep him.

Representative Fitzgerald of New York objected. He said in commenting on the uselessness of the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic that things were holic Liquor Traffic that things were different in Washington just now as compared with last winter. Then, he said, money flowed out of the Treasury like water over a spillway. Now, however, with a new President in the White House who knew the value of money, things were much improved and even around Congress there was a different feeling. After a few more remarks on the general subject of economy he objected to Mr. Sperry's clerk, and after division the roll was called, resulting 153 ayes and 124 noes, so Mr. Sperry gets his clerk.

Payte Chairman of New York Delegation. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- At a caucus of held to-day, Representative Sereno E. Payne was named chairman of the delegation. By virtue of seniority of service Mr. Payne has occupied this position for many years. Representative Hamilton Fish, who is serving his first term, was named secretary.

absent whom he had no intention of for- NOTHING MUCH BUT FIGURES. Report of the Comptroller of the Currency a Marvel of Statistics.

> WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The figure: tell the story in the first annual report of Lawrence O. Murray, the Comptroller of the Currency, which was submitted to Congress to-day. The report is a document of ninety-eight closely printed pages, but nowhere in it is there a word ment; nowhere an expression of approval or disapproval of the conduct or examination of the national banks; nowhere a recommendation for any change whatever in existing methods, conditions or operations. There isn't a suggestion on anything. Mr. Murray even resisted the temptation to express his

bank. Mr. Murray has figures in all but a few scattering and short sentences. The very title of his report is a figure. He column, in triple column, is quadruple, quintuple, sextuple, septuple and octuple column measures. No private printing office could have set them up without stopping to throw in type; no typesetting machine could have set it without a dozen "overhauls," and the Government printing office had to put in a requisition for "sorts." In variety of measure of the statistical tables, they say at the office, as well as in number the

report beats all records. The figures tell how much money every one would have if he had as much as every one else. They are thus of price-less value to the parlor socialist. They show that the share of the American citi-zen is greater than that of the citizen of any foreign country, and are inspiring to the patriot. They prove than any one of several groups of national banks of several groups of national banks has more money than the Bank of England, and encourage immigration from Frankfurt, which already supplies most on the New York private bankers. There is a gloomy chapter too. Shockingly the figures present the high and low rates for call, money on the New York Stock Exchange and remind that a people pursuing money cannot be without sin.

For Buenos Ayres Exposition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- A communica tion of the Secretary of State recommending an appropriation of \$75,000 for at American exhibit at the Buenos Ayres Exposition, to be held in the Argentine capital on July 9, 1910, was forwarded to Congress to-day by the President He also submitted to Congress the annual report of the Isthmian Canal Commission for the year ended June 30 last.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- Members of the naval committees of the Senate and House have made their plans for a sail to the Panama Canal Zone on the yacht Dolphin during the holiday recess of Congress. Senator Perkins of California, chairman of the Senate committee, will not be able to go on account of ill health, but other members will as a rule take advantage of the trip.

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